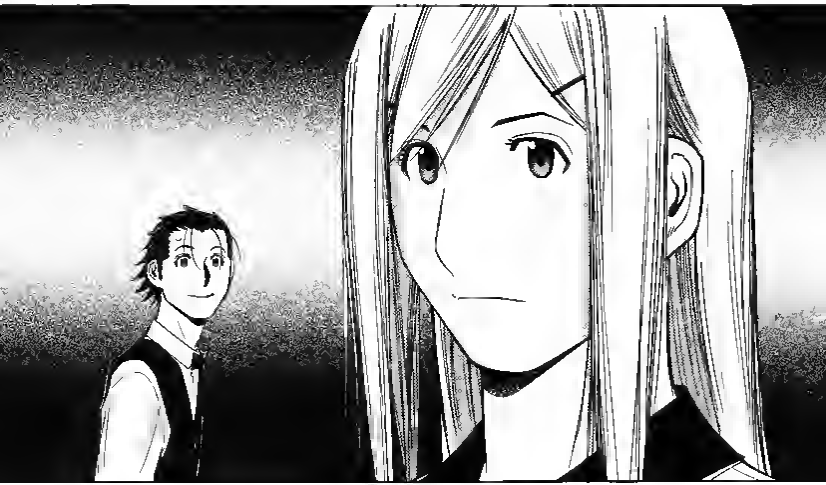

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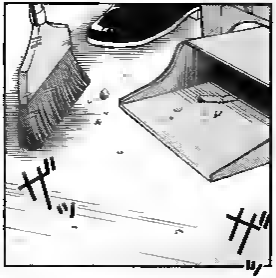
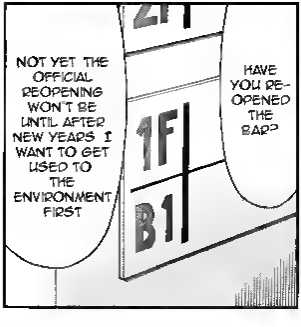
One for the Road

YOU MUST BE SASAKURA



THANK YOU FOR LENDING ME THOSE DRINKING GLASSES
I HAVEN'T PROPERLY VISITED AND I'VE ALREADY BEEN A BOTHER


HAVE YOU RE-OPENED THE BAR?
NOT YET THE OFFICIAL REOPENING WON'T BE UNTIL AFTER NEW YEARS I WANT TO GET USED TO THE ENVIRONMENT FIRST
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AH! MINAMI-SAN
M'Sビル

THANK YOU
WE'RE NEIGHBORS, SO DON'T HESITATE TO ASK IF YOU NEED ANYTHING
?
ALL RIGHT ~ TIME TO WORK!

I'M ALL PUMPED UP BUT WHO KNEW IT WOULD RAIN RIGHT WHEN I OPEN THE STORE JUST MY LUCK
WELCOME
Ah...
GOOD EVENING!

THANKS FOR COMING HERE ON A RAINY DAY
HERE, A GIFT TO COMMEMORATE THE RE-OPENING
ALTHOUGH THIS BAR LOOKS KIND OF OLD, THE ATMOSPHERE ISN'T BAD
ONE HOUR LATER -
Clang
SURE
THEN START ME OFF WITH A GIN TONIC
I CAN STILL DRINK. I'LL WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT CUSTOMER SHOWS UP
HEY, YOU'VE HAD QUITE A BIT
UH, WHAT SHOULD I GET NEXT?

WELCOME!
Creak
WHAT, WHAT GAVE YOU THAT IDEA IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT...
IT FEELS LIKE GHOSTS WOULD COME OUT IF ONLY ONE PERSON IS HERE SCARY
THE WIND?
I THINK SO
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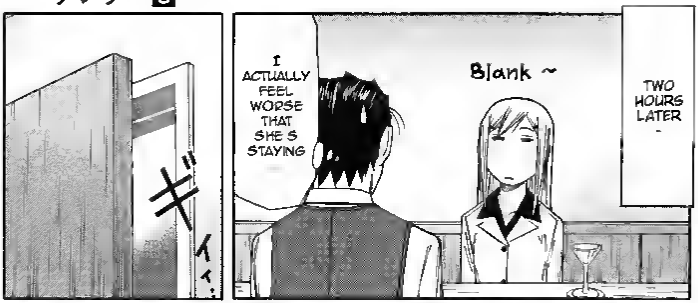
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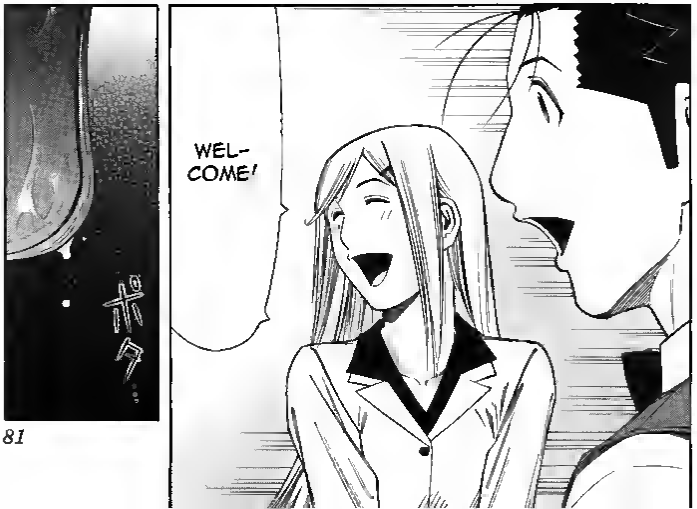
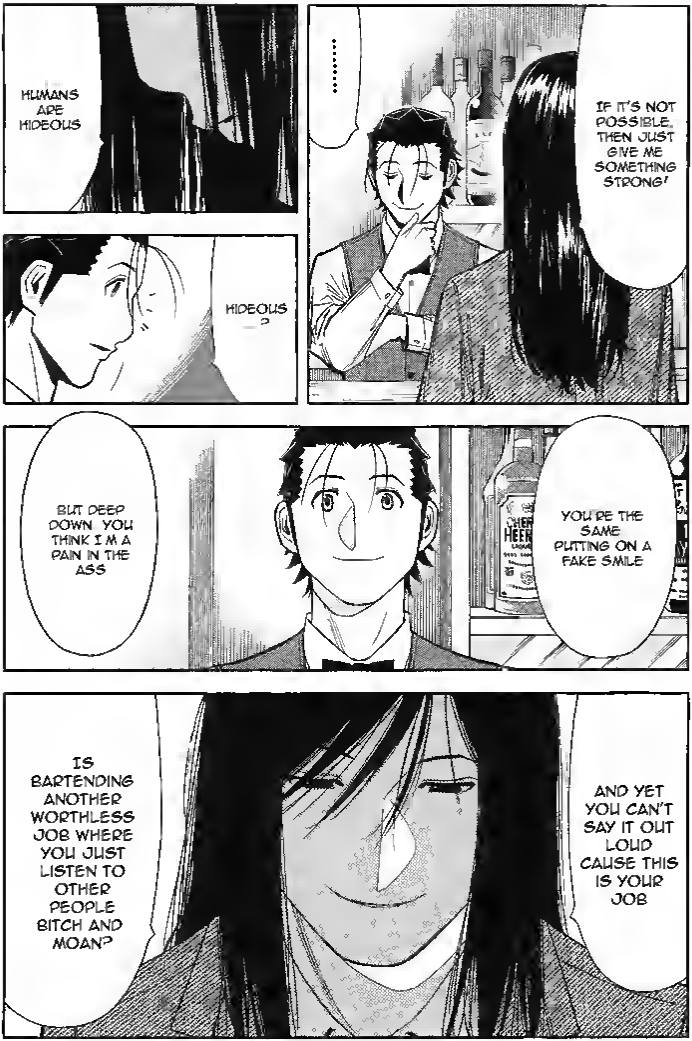
I ACTUALLY FEEL WORSE THAT SHE S STAYING
Blank ~
TWO HOURS LATER -

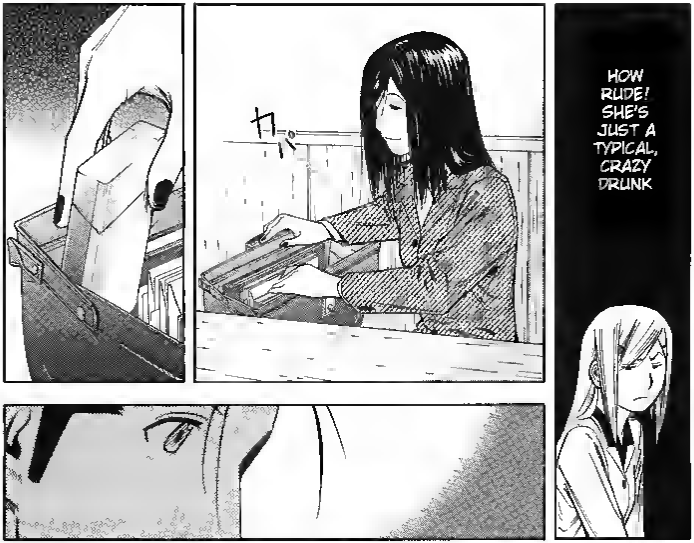
HERE IT COMES! THE FIRST CUSTOMER!


ドク…
WEL- COME!

*C: SHE'S REFERRING TO A GHOST
*IT APPEARED!
DIDN'T THINK THERE WOULD BE A BAR HERE
GIVE ME SOMETHING TO DRINK WHILE I HIDE FROM THE RAIN

IT'S POURING OUTSIDE HERE. USE THIS
.....
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE?
I WANT TO FEEL DRUNK, BUT I'M ANNOYING WHEN I'M TOO DRUNK, SO I DON'T WANT TO DRINK ANY ALCOHOL
WANT TO GET DRUNK, BUT DO NOT WANT TO DRINK ALCOHOL
AM I BEING A NUISANCE FOR PUTTING IN AN ORDER LIKE THAT?
OF COURSE YOU'RE BEING A NUISANCE! COMING TO A BAR AND REQUESTING SOMETHING LIKE THAT


HUMANS ARE HIDEOUS
HIDEOUS...?
.....
IF IT'S NOT POSSIBLE, THEN JUST GIVE ME SOMETHING STRONG!
BUT DEEP DOWN YOU THINK I'M A PAIN IN THE ASS
YOU'RE THE SAME PUTTING ON A FAKE SMILE
IS BARTENDING ANOTHER WORTHLESS JOB WHERE YOU JUST LISTEN TO OTHER PEOPLE BITCH AND MOAN?
AND YET YOU CAN'T SAY IT OUT LOUD CAUSE THIS IS YOUR JOB


HOW RUDE! SHE'S JUST A TYPICAL, CRAZY DRUNK

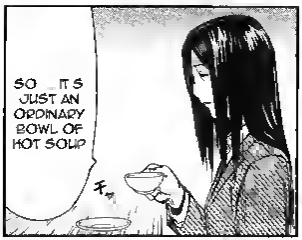
BAD CUSTOMERS LIKE ME PAY JUST SO WE CAN RANT
AS YOU CAN SEE, I HAVE A SHARP TONGUE, AND EVERYONE'S AFRAID OF ME
BUT EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE AFRAID THEY STILL CONSTANTLY COME TO ME WITH RIDICULOUS REQUESTS

SORRY. I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT DRINK TO MAKE FOR YOU
AH
ARE YOU LISTENING!?
HA HA... I THINK I PREFER TO BE CALLED WORTHLESS THAN A HYPOCRITE
YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT WHAT TO MAKE? WHAT A HYPOCRITE
THIS DRINK MAY TAKE A WHILE. DO YOU MIND WAITING?
SURE BUT I'LL BE PISSED IF YOU DISAPPOINT ME

I'LL START MAKING IT RIGHT AWAY
HUH?
パタン
I ASKED THE BAR UPSTAIRS TO LEND ME SOME INGRE-DIENTS
HUH?
WHAT'S HE GOING TO MAKE ...?
!?
THANKS FOR WAITING
THIS IS

THIS IS BULLSHOT
I THINK IT SUITS THE CURRENT YOU QUITE WELL

EH...?
IT LOOKS LIKE SOUP... BUT IT TASTES LIKE ALCOHOL


SO... IT'S JUST AN ORDINARY BOWL OF HOT SOUP
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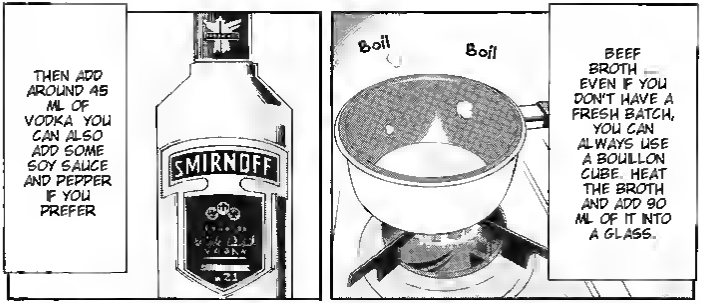
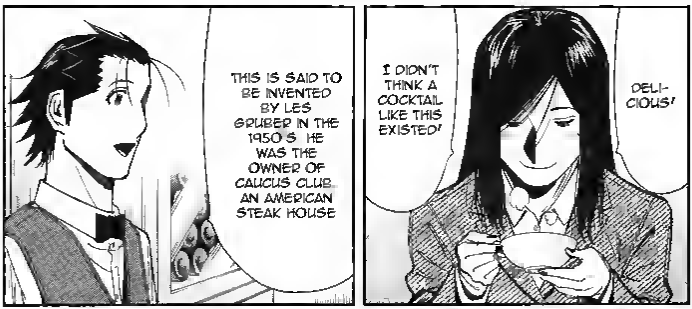
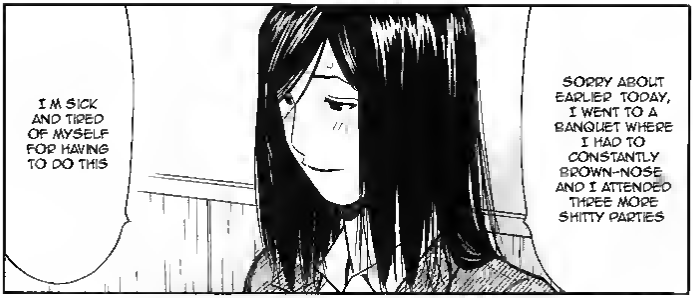
Sip ...


THEN ADD AROUND 45 ML OF VODKA. YOU CAN ALSO ADD SOME SOY SAUCE AND PEPPER IF YOU PREFER
SMIRNOFF
Boil
Boil
BEEF BROTH... EVEN IF YOU DON'T HAVE A FRESH BATCH, YOU CAN ALWAYS USE A BOUILLON CUBE. HEAT THE BROTH AND ADD 90 ML OF IT INTO A GLASS.

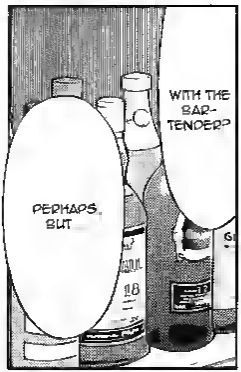

THIS IS SAID TO BE INVENTED BY LES GRUBER IN THE 1950'S. HE WAS THE OWNER OF CAUCUS CLUB, AN AMERICAN STEAK HOUSE
I DIDN'T THINK A COCKTAIL LIKE THIS EXISTED!
DELI-CIOUS!

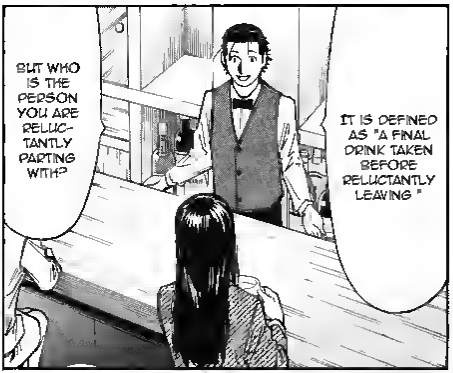
FEELS LIKE I'VE BEEN REBORN
A WARM FEELING SEEPS THROUGH MY TIRED, DRUNK BODY...

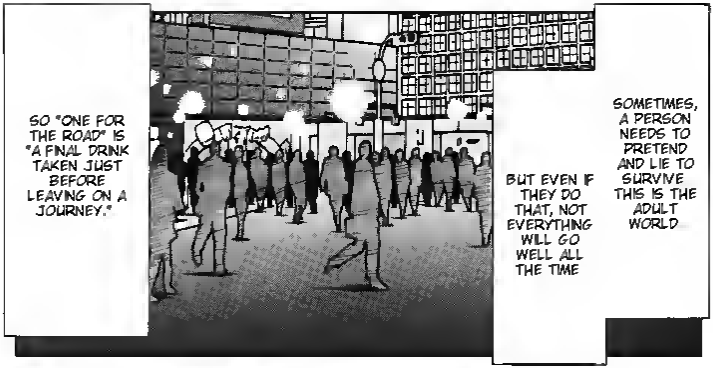

I'M SICK AND TIRED OF MYSELF FOR HAVING TO DO THIS
SORRY ABOUT EARLIER TODAY, I WENT TO A BANQUET WHERE I HAD TO CONSTANTLY BROWN-NOSE AND I ATTENDED THREE MORE SHITTY PARTIES

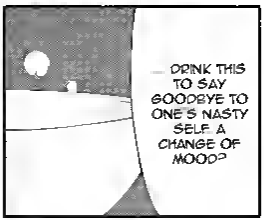
ONE FOR THE ROAD?

MISS. DO YOU KNOW THE PHRASE "ONE FOR THE ROAD"?


WITH THE BAR-TENDER?
PERHAPS, BUT...

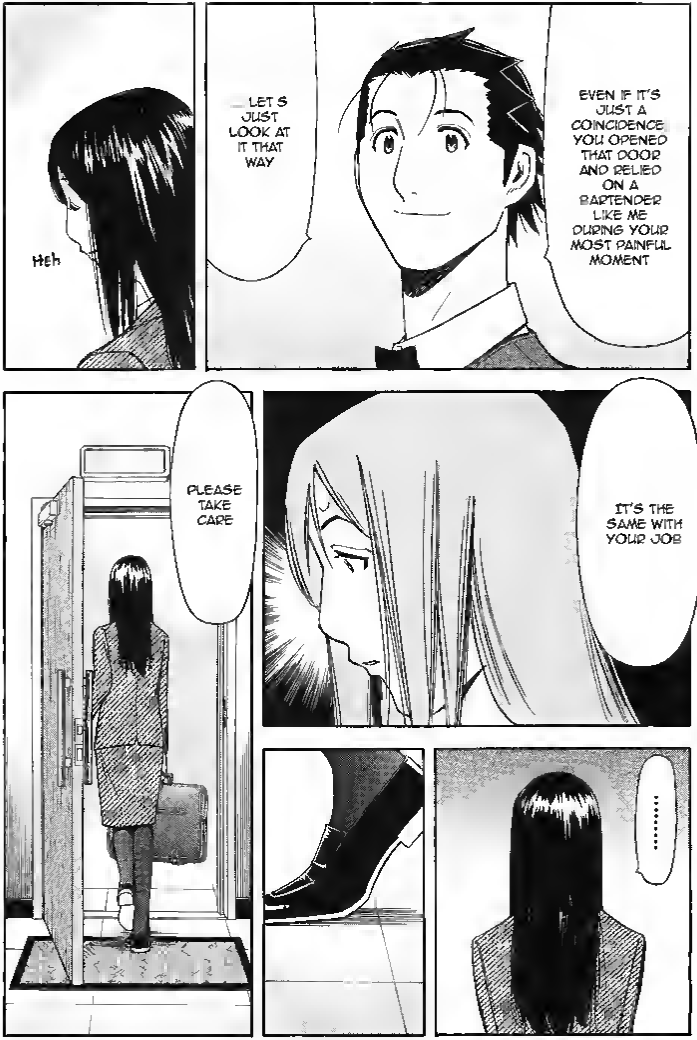

BUT WHO IS THE PERSON YOU ARE RELUC-TANTLY PARTING WITH?
IT IS DEFINED AS "A FINAL DRINK TAKEN BEFORE RELUCTANTLY LEAVING"


SO "ONE FOR THE ROAD" IS "A FINAL DRINK TAKEN JUST BEFORE LEAVING ON A JOURNEY."
BUT EVEN IF THEY DO THAT, NOT EVERYTHING WILL GO WELL ALL THE TIME
SOMETIMES, A PERSON NEEDS TO PRETEND AND LIE TO SURVIVE THIS IS THE ADULT WORLD


— DRINK THIS TO SAY GOODBYE TO ONE'S NASTY SELF. A CHANGE OF MOOD?

WHEN YOU DRINK AT A BAR, WHAT YOU REALLY WANT TO PART WITH IS YOUR ANNOYING SELF!

IS IT AGAINST THE RULES TO DRINK A SECOND "ONE FOR THE ROAD"?
NO WOR-RIES
IT'S CLOSE TO THE END OF THE YEAR AND YET YOU GET AN ANNOYING CUSTOMER LIKE ME SORRY ABOUT THAT
OF COURSE NOT!
WANT TO TRY "BLOODY BULL"? IT'S A BULLSHOT MADE WITH LEMON JUICE AND TOMATO JUICE.


Heh
LET'S JUST LOOK AT IT THAT WAY
EVEN IF IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE, YOU OPENED THAT DOOR AND RELIED ON A BARTENDER LIKE ME DURING YOUR MOST PAINFUL MOMENT
PLEASE TAKE CARE
IT'S THE SAME WITH YOUR JOB
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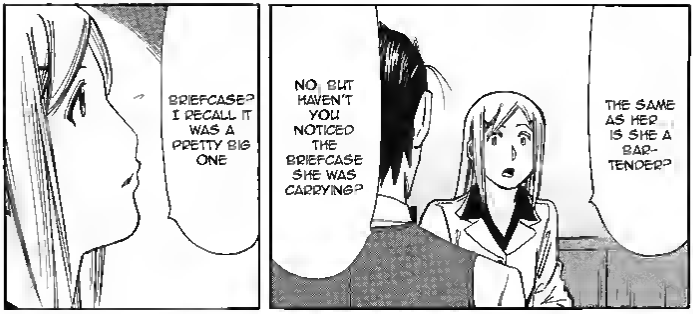
BRIEFCASE? I RECALL IT WAS A PRETTY BIG ONE
NO, BUT HAVEN'T YOU NOTICED THE BRIEFCASE SHE WAS CARRYING?
THE SAME AS HER... IS SHE A BAR-TENDER?

IT'S FIRM AND COULD HOLD A LARGE NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS, IT'S ALSO CALLED...
THAT'S A DULLES BAG, A FAVORITE AMONGST AMERICAN EXECUTIVES

NEXT MORNING -
LAWYER'S BAG

YAJIMA WHAT'S ON THE SCHEDULE TODAY?
UH... THERE'S A CASE TO SPLIT INHERITANCE
ONE REGARDING CHILD OWNER-SHIP, TWO DIVORCES, AND
...
GODDAMNIT! WHY DOES EVERYONE DO WHATEVER THEY WANT!
...BUT I CAN'T SAY THAT...
五島法律事務所
PEOPLE ARE RELYING ON ME DURING THEIR MOST PAINFUL MOMENT
I HAVE TO THINK OF IT THAT WAY.

OH RIGHT... YAJIMA YOU LIKE GOING TO BARS RIGHT?
YEA... MY INTERESTS ARE READING MYSTERY NOVELS AND DRINKING LIQUOR WHAT ABOUT IT?
DO YOU KNOW "BULL-SHOT"?
DO YOU MEAN THE MYSTERY NOVEL? OR THE COCKTAIL?
MYSTERY NOVEL...?
WHAT KIND OF STORY IS IT?
IT'S...
ABOUT A SHORT... MEAN-LOOKING LAWYER WHOSE CATCH PHRASE IS "PIECE OF SHIT"...
BUT DEEP DOWN, HE'S ACTUALLY A VERY NICE GUY... IT'S A MYSTERY NOVEL WRITTEN BY GABRIELLE KRAFT IN THE 80'S

SO THAT BARTENDER KNEW MY OCCUPATION, THAT'S WHY HE SAID THOSE THINGS!!!
DEEP DOWN, HE'S VERY NICE A LAWYER WHOSE CATCH PHRASE IS "PIECE OF SHIT"!
HA HA HA THAT'S WHY HE RECOM-MENDED BULLSHOT!
YEA
REALLY?
YAJIMA LET'S GO DRINKING AFTER WORK TODAY MY TREAT

THERE'S A PRETTY GOOD BAR IN SIXTH DISTRICT
TOO BAD THE BARTENDER IS A PIECE OF SHIT
TONWOOD TONY
CAMEL

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